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Only Smoking Ruins Remain of the Fifth Avenue Theatre.

Vain Battle to Save the Famous Playhouse.

Sturtevant House Takes Fire, and Its Upper Floors Are Burned Out.

Herrmann's Theatre Escapes with Slight Damage from Water.

Story of the Most Thrilling Fire on Upper Broadway for Years.

Melnomene tuned her lyre in her place on the cornice of Harry Miner's Fifth Avenue Theatre this morning, but its notes were drowned by the sound of splashing water from lines of fire hose falling upon what had been one of New York's prett est play-houses.

From Broadway the front presents no change in appearance. The Twenty-eightn street from shows a clean wall, but not a window is in its pale blue Winter sky is seen with uninterrupted

Looking in at the stage door one sees not single symbol by which he might tell what had been there.

interior of the Fifth Avenue Theatre in the early hours this morning and left no sign of its

The four walls remain, but the galleries, the stage, the scenery, the frescoes, the ironhad never been made, and the iron-work is covered by a smouldering heap of blackened rubbian that has no character, no shape.

W. Johnson Daniel Fine, making his first too of the house eighteen minutes after the doors had closed on the last of the departing and ence that witnessed "Cleopatra" last night, as he passed down the centre siste was thrille and startled by bright, greedy flames on the

There were but two other persons in the building, actors dressing for the street. Finn ran out through the lobby crying: "Fire! fre!" Treasurer Cook, leaurely and completently counting up the handsome receipts of the night in the box office, startled, too, hastily gathered up everything, locked his safe and sough

Broadway. The police had already sent out an alarm. and the nearest fire-engines were thundering up the streets approaching the theatre. Already the dames illumined the whole thes

tre so charmingly opened to the people last August, in bright new trappings and elegant and luxurious fittings. Already the magnificent scenery constructed

expressly for the elaborate presentation of sardon's play had been consumed by the defouring flames, and tongues of blaze were fitfully reaching out at the Twenty-cighth stree

The audiences from all the uptown theatre were still thronging brilliant Broadway, and thousands drew near to the scene of conflagra tion to witness an after-piece that was start lingly grand.

was plain that this was to be a fire no often parallele ! Across Twenty-eighth street. at the Broadway corner, was the Brower House, and occupying the whole Broadway block op posite the theatre was the Sturtevant House with its 300 guests. Just above Miner's in Brondway was another new theatre, Herrmann's, the gaudiest and newest of all.

The block on both sides of the street was filled with retail stores of the best order, and esst-side block, the Brower House and the Gil-

Two additional alarms were sent out in rapid succession, and then a simultaneous alarm for the Bleecker street fire district, and presently every engine, every truck, every patrol wagon every fire tower, from Canal street to Forty second street, was gathered in the street about the burning pile, and a new deluge was pouring upon the theatres and the betcle to the neighborhood.

For nearly two hours there was a desperate fight between the fire and the gallant firemen, Chief Bonner the general of the are-nguters. At 1, 30 o'clock Chief Bouner heaved a nigh of relief. "We have it under control," ne said simply. But for two hours more the fight went on, and then the fire gave up the battle, rated, but with a record of sad havoc made, The magnificent Fifth Avenue Theatre was worse than a wreck. Prof. Berrmann's gor-

geous little play-house, which had been

For firemen still on the roofs of the stores threatened, was saved.

The stores that front on Broadway on the West Side were dripping wrecks, their stocks rained, and the arractures themselves damaged ont of all usefulness.

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BROADWAY ENTRANCE TO THE BURNED THEATER.

up through the roof of the Flith Avenue while the throng applauded.
Theatre, and the firemen who had been worklooking for a place of safety.

The smoke was blinding, and the terror of | Everybody gave him up for dead, but after the scene was heightened by frequent explosions within the walled caldron of fiame. hurt. He had found an open hatchway near Then there was a great crash. The roof of Twenty-ninth street, and had clambered down to the doomed theatre had fallen in. a great mass of flames shot up fifty feet

shower of sparks became a storm.

the storm, and then it became apparent that; of the roof and ran to the ground. The men the Sturtevant House was in great danger. let themselves down, hand over hand, to the The fishers had reached and were shooting told of the ladders, and descended in safety.

ng from the roof of the stores on the Broad- about to follow when there was another creat, way front were seen running wildly about another burst of flame and smoke, and he vanished from sight.

But the storm of red-hot sparks falling or higher than the Broadway facade, and the the Mansard roof of the Sturtevant House persistently for so long had succeeded in igniting

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, almost rebuilding it, redtting and refurnishing it from pit to dome. It was opened Aug.

1, with Cora Tanner in "One Error." It has been remarkably successful as a com Dination house during the season, and Fanny Davenport played "Cleopatra" there last vening to a large and refined audience. To-day there remains the four walls with the

sky for a roof. The walls are completely stripped of fixture and adornment. Where the stage was is now a pile of cinders. and the dressing-rooms have disappeared. Here and there a line of gas pipe, blackened

The architectural skill of J. D. Allen, o Philadelphia, and the decorative art of Emmart people watching the progress of the fire in the Quartiey, of Baltimore, had been brought nto play by Mr. Miner to make the most beautiful theatre in New York.

Four firemen still on the roofs of the stores | the roof, despite the perfect flood that the fire- ! York drawing-rooms and their furnishings is

the fre broke out, and when he had taken his famous reform meeting a few weeks before it in the coording ration he said aimply:

"Trank God, the audience left before that the began!"

IT WAS A FAMOUS PLAYHOUSE.

History of the Fifth Avenue Theatre—Mr. Miner's Costly Improvements,
Mr. Miner took possession of the Fifth Avenue Theatre.

Mr. Miner took possession of the Fifth Avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring, and spent \$40,000 on the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring and the fifth avenue Theatre last Spring are the form the form meeting a few weeks before.

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### STURTEVANT HOUSE ON FIRE.

Eight Rooms on the Upper Floor Burned Out-Guests All Unharmed, The taking fire of the Sturtevant House was pe of the strangest features of the disaster. Very lew of the guests at the hotel had gone to bed ween the alarm of fire was sent ou

from the Fifth Avenue Theatre, and most of those asleep were awakened by the tremendons racke: in the street which followed the arrival of the fire-engines. From 11.45 until nearly 1 o'clock, the from windows of the hotel were crowded with

were soon driven from the windows by the

flerce blaze from the burning theatre, which The work was begun in May and finished in derce blaze from the burning theatre, which tugust. The auditorium had twelve boxes of swept ever the roofs of the buildings on the





THE TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET ENTHANCE. Moorish design, the interior decorations being other side of the street, the strong west wind

The walls were finished to plaster relief, in The firemen were so busy trying to protect ome was of alumina and gold, with colore !

TDamentations. drop curtain painted in off by Maeder and roof at the northwest corner of the hotel. Schaeffer, representing "The Pompetian

The auditorium was luxurious. The chairs were of the pattern known as "Sleepy Hollow chairs," with high backs, heavily upholstered in crimson plush. Pendent from the dome was a 700-ter chandeller, and the house was lighted by

The floors were covered with soft and luxurious carpets of Wilton velves, and the house was beautiful and charmingly home-like.

The Twenty-eighth street lobby was deco rated in oil and stipple work, with borders, and the ceiling was frescoed with cloud effects. There was an elegant lastes' drawing-room, The Broadway louby was finished in plastic reilef in Elizabethan style, the most expensive

ecoration known. The stage fittings were exceedingly elaborate and complete, and the whole was a mode heatre for the auditors and for the players as

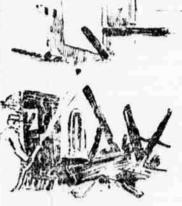
the Peter Gilsey estate. It was originally was discovered to be ablaze the whole of the HERRMANN'S THEATRE ESCAPED. known as Apollo Hail, and was built in 187a. | roof at the corner of Broadway and Twenty-Augustin Daly leased it, and occupied it for ninth street was in fiame .

been burned.

of paper and fresco. The gallery fronts were driving ruillions of starks and frebrand-entirely of metal, the colors of alumina and against the front of the Stortevant House and scattering them over the roof.

Elizabethan style, having designs of interlaced the houses adjoining the Fifth Avenue Theatre forms, with colors of peach, ivory, alumina that they did not notice the heaps of burning and gold. The wainscots were surmounted cinders that were collecting upon the managed by rich borders of slumina and metals. The other side of the street.

Those in the hotel were also forgetful and The proscenium arch was richly decorated unconscious of the danger, and before long the and a fire-proof curtain was hung loside an act smouldering ashes and cinders set fire to the play about the window seshes and the cornices



Tae Fifth Avenue Theatre was owned by within a quarter of an hour after the building

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been burned.

Family Davenport appeared here among Mr.

Daly's first productions of that class of plays derisavely called "milliners and upholstery drama" because of the introduction of New minutes there was a lively sample and colling of the auditorium on the side ad-

COMMISSIONER PORTER—I shall refuse to take another census

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

guests and porters to get their things out of joining the Fifth Avenue Theatre are not injured in the least.
When a reporter of THE EVENING WORLD got At I o'clock it looked as if the danger to the whole building was serious, for the firemen into the building this morning he found Mana-seemed to make very little headway against ger Morton helding the fort, and several memthe fire, which extended slong the roof from bers of Prof. Herrmann's company with him the corner of Twenty-ninth street to a point on the stage. nearly over the main entrance on Broadway. Several lipes of hose were finally taken up air, and the seats in the orchestra and baseony

if asked

ments before the fire had gained headway.

This morning there was no evidence of the fire in the lower floors of the building, and very little water had found its way down to the office. Mr. Pierson said that the damage was confined simost entirely to the three upper floors of the Broadway and Twenty-ninth street corner, and that altogether it would not amount to more than \$15,000 or \$20,000, includ-

amount to more than \$15,000 or \$20,000, including two damage to the building, which is owned by A. P. and J. D. Stortevant.

"There was no serious pants among the guests," he said. "for they were nearly all up and prepared for trouble. The fire had been burning across the street for more than an hour before we knew that the hotel was on the street for more than an and in the dreaming rooms.

hour before we knew that the hotel was on give.

"All the guests in that part of the house had plenty of time to remove their valuables, and those who were compelled to give up their apartments found rooms at the Gilsey House and other hot is in the vicinity for the night.

"We had about two hundred people in the hotel yesterday, and perhaps twenty-five went away has hight. A good many of them have come back again this morning."

Among those who solgat refuge at the startevant House were Fanuy Daventort and Mr. Macdowell, her husband and manager,



and several monitors of her company. She came in just nestore moninght, and the fire in the theatre was just breaking out.

Miss Daveapor: was at his tree-tip distressed about her reweis and costumes, which had been absundance in the circaing-nooms of the theatre, but soon afterwards according orders came in braining two or tiree his trunks and a let

the Features of To-day's Trading

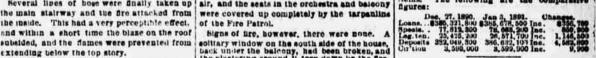
ble Bank Statement.

Rock Island Officials Menaco-the

to 134). This did not do the gen-eral list much good, the Omaha bridge controversy having been accorded

After the Lackawanna sport the bears took hold of Rock island and sold it down from 70% to 69%. Everything else yielded from % to 1 per cent, in sympathy. The favorable bank return was one

for the bulls, who again railled the market



the inside. This had a very perceptible effect, and within a short time the blaze on the roof subsided, and the fames were prevented from extending below the top story.

1. The halls, however, and the rooms below in that corner of the building were drenobed with water, and a great deal of damage was done to furniture.

Proprietor Pierson said this morning that only eight rooms on the top floor had been burned out, but that the occupants of the lower rooms had been obliged to wacate.

Among these were William Fursman and his family, and Alexander Conistock and family, all of whom live at the hotel. They were able to remove all their property from the apart.

"I don't think there is \$500 damage to the whole place," said Manager Morton to This floors here we could give a performance this diors here we could give a performance this afternoon.

"You can say that we will be open as must." "You can say that we will be open as usua; Monday might, just as if nothing had hap-

> Mr. Miner Says Crossed Electric Light Wires.

CAUSE OF THE FIRE.

and in the dressing-rooms. and in the dressing-rooms.

Manager Miner says that in all probability the fisme was started through the crossing of electric light wires with the aid of poor or defective insulation.

Others allege that the first spark was in a pile of robbins at the back of the stage, and that a clearette stump had been thrown by some surreptitions smoker at the approach of the stage manager.

### HALF A MILLION LOSS.

Damage to Stores Increases the Total Destroyed by Fire and Water. In the sporting goods store of J. B. Crook & Co. at 119! Broadway, where terrine explosions of gunpowder and bartridges were reported to have occurred, there was not a trace of fire this morning, and very little water had

On a shelf in the back of the store, within six feet of the thick brick wall which inclosed the burning theatre, stood about twenty onepound cans of gunpowder. They were all right this morning.

Boxes in the same compartment containing several thousand loaded cartridges, were also safe and sound. Mr. Crook says his stock is

leaved in.

worth \$60,000, and that the damage will not probably exceed \$5,000, all of it being done by water to goods stored in the basement. At J. & J. Slater's big shoe store, at the corner of Twenty-eighth street and Broadway, the ler and damaged by water.

L. Spero, the tailor at 1195 Broadway, eags his stock is damaged by smoke and water to The rest of the building is used for offices. There is some damage upstairs by fire, but it s not serious. Several theatrical managers and agencies occupy the offices, and the trusices of the estate of Peter Gisey have the second door.

Wesaman, the tailor, at 1201 Broadway, places his loss at \$4,000 the lianay & Son's shoe store at 1203 suffers slight damage by water.

The National Cash Register Company, at 1189 broadway, places its loss at \$700, entirely by water.

water.
Ireland's bookstore, at 1197, and the Sinten Island Dyeing Establishment, at 1199 Broadway, are only slightly samaged, the loss being less than 11,000 in each dose.

She The total loss from the fire, will probably approximate \$503,000.

### MR. WILLOUGHBY'S QUICK WIT,

D. C. Willoughby, Mr. Miner's associate weil.

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Points for Connoisseurs. Rich Hordeaux wines will form a sediment

Augustin Daly leased it, and occubied it for ten years, calling it the Fifth Avenue Theatre, after his theatre in Madison Square, which had building was on fire there was something of a Will Be Practically Uninterrupted. Will Be Practically Uninterrupted. when for some time in bottle. No connoisseur Herrmann's pretty little theatre, which was before serving. J. Calvet & Co.'s Clarets and

# Alternate Advances and Depressions

Encouraging Effect of a Favora-

New Railway Agreement.

There were two sides to the Stock market to-

fresh prominence by the positive declarati of officials of the Rock Island and St. Paul roads that if their contract with the Union Pacific is annulled it will endanger the pro-posed Western Presidents' Association.

for the bulls, who again railied the market and made it close strong at or near the best prices of the week.

The sales for the two hours or business were 98, 185 shares.

Money was nominally 5 per cent, on call.
The bank stalement snowed an increase is reserves. The surplus is \$851,900 higher than a week ago, standing at \$8,577,125. The increase in oath was rearly \$2,000,000.

The increase in deposits is \$2,200,000 greater than that called for by the changes in the other

There was a decided smell of smoke in the than that called for by the change air, and the seats in the orchestra and baseony fitems. The following are the figures:

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The following were the closing quotation for mining stocks at the Consolidated Exchange to-day: Bid. Asked .04

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Fire in a Barber Shop. Fire early this morning did \$800 damage to Otto Dittman's barber shop at 101 Avenue C.

Claims Cousinship to Evarts. NEW HAVEN, CORE., JAN. 3. - Levi Griswold Everts, aged 74 years, and claiming to be a cousin of Senator Everts, of New York, has been committed to the New Haven Almahouse. He has for some time been receiving aid from ar Lown.

Ex-District-Attorney John IL Fellows established himself in law offices in the Rmigrant I dustrial Savines Cank Building. Ex-dudes Rehard O'torman of the Superior Court has taken offices in the same unfaling. To successfully set in the liver and bile take small since Carriers Living Palis. ...

He's Counsellor Fellows Now.